

## REMARKS

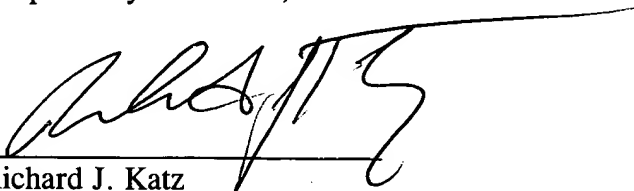
This Supplemental Amendment is in response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed June 10, 2004. The Examiner considered the amendment filed June 1, 2004 to be non-compliant for not being submitted in the format required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. Specifically, the claims were not provided with the proper status identifier.

Applicants respectfully submit that this Supplemental Amendment is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. No new matter has been added by this Supplemental Amendment.

Each and every point raised in the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed June 10, 2004, has been addressed in this Supplemental Amendment. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the prior rejections are respectfully requested. However, should the Examiner believe that direct contact with the Applicants' attorney would advance prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number given below.

If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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